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For: **IRON-CHROMIUM BASE BRAZING FILLER METALS**
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Sir:

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UNDER 37 CFR §1.97(b)**

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form are documents developed by a search conducted during prosecution of Applicant's PCT counterpart. The Examiner may deem these documents to be relevant to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application. A copy of each of the documents is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any of the documents constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicants do not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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Respectfully submitted,



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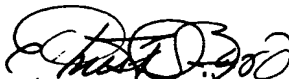
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